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**Re: Rock Hill Telephone Company, Lancaster Telephone Company, and  
Fort Mill Telephone Company all d/b/a/ Comporium Communications  
Alternative Regulation Plan  
Docket No. 2005-203-C**

Dear Mr. Terreni:

I am writing to request that the Commission place the above-referenced matter on its agenda for August 10, 2005, and that the Commission approve the Comporium Alternative Regulation Plan as filed, with an effective date of August 1, 2005 as provided by S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-576(B)(1) ("If the provisions of subsection (A) have been complied with, the plan under this subsection becomes effective on the date specified by the electing LEC, but in no event sooner than thirty days after the notice is filed with the commission.")

S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-576(A)(3) provides in part as follows:

Any LEC may elect to have rates, terms, and conditions determined pursuant to the plan described in subsection (B), if the commission . . . determines that at least two wireless providers have coverage generally available in the LEC's service area and that the providers are not affiliates of the LEC.

The Commission has all of the information it needs to make the determination required by the statute, including coverage maps, drive test maps, and sworn affidavits regarding wireless coverage in the respective companies' service areas. We respectfully request that the Commission proceed to make such a determination.

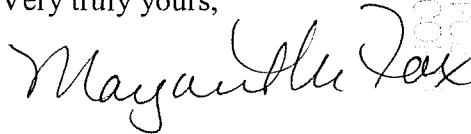
The Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") filed a letter in this docket stating that it had completed its review of the filing and supporting documentation and had found no evidence to

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contradict the sworn statement of Robert Joslin that wireless service is generally available from two non-affiliated carriers within the companies' service areas, and that ORS has no basis to oppose the filing. While other persons have asked the Commission to take their comments into consideration, and one entity has asked to intervene in the matter, no one has expressed opposition to the Alternative Regulation Plan.

As stated above, the statute requires the Commission to make a determination as to whether the companies meet the requirements of S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-576(A)(3), and the Commission has the evidence before it that it needs to make such a determination. Pursuant to the terms of the statute, the effective date of the Alternative Regulation Plan is August 1, 2005, the date specified by the electing LECs. That date has already passed. We respectfully ask the Commission to approve the Comporium Alternative Regulation Plan at its next scheduled agenda session on August 10, 2005.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Margaret M. Fox".

Margaret M. Fox

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